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STEEL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of small, medium and major steel plants in the country;

(b) the details of their production capacity;

(c) the target fixed for steel production during the current year;

(d) the number of licenses issued for setting up of steel plants during the last three years alongwith the number of applications lying pending till date; and

(e) the time by which the pending applications are likely to be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS)

(a)&(b) : The number of steel plants in public and private sector producing crude steel and the production capacity of these plants in the country during 2006-07 (provisional) is given at Annexure I.

(c) The target fixed for saleable steel production by steel plants in the Public Sector during 2007-08 is given at Annexure II.

(d)&(e) : According to the New Industrial Policy announced in July 1991, steel industry has been de-licensed and removed from the list of industries reserved for the public sector subject to certain locational restrictions. No industrial licence is therefore required for setting up steel plants under the Industrial (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951 and the entrepreneurs are free to set up such plants anywhere in the country based on their commercial judgements, except in the restricted locations. However, as per available information the number of industrial licenses issued for setting up of iron and steel plants in the restricted locations during January 2004 to December 2006 is 20. Applications for setting up steel plants in restricted locations are received in the Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion and are disposed of in a time bound manner by the Licensing Committee in the Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion.

ANNEXURE-I

Number of steel plants in public and private sector in the country producing crude steel during 2006-07

('000 tonnes)

Producer/ Category	Number of steel plants	Production Capacity
Public Sector		
SAIL Plants	7	12839
Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd.	1	2910
Private Sector		
Tata Steel Ltd.	1	5000
Electric Arc Furnace	36	13479
Corex	1	2500
Others- BOF, MBF and EOF	2	615
Induction Furnace	831	19500

BOF- Basic Oxygen Furnace; MBF-Mini Blast Furnace; EOF- Energy Optimising Furnace.

ANNEXURE-II

Target fixed by Steel Plants for saleable steel production during 2007-08

Name of Plant	Million Tonnes (MT) Target of saleable steel production during 2007-08
Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)	
Integrated Steel Plants	
Bhilai Steel Plant (BSP)	4.25
Durgapur Steel Plant (DSP)	1.72
Rourkela Steel Plant (RSP)	1.80
Bokaro Steel Plant (BSL)	3.90
IISCO Steel Plant (ISP)	0.40
Alloy Steel Plant (ASP)	0.16
Salem Steel Plant(SSP)	0.18
Visveswarya Iron & Steel Plant(VISL)	0.12
Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL)	3.21